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SUBJECT: REQUEST FROM DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR INDUSTRY

1. AT REQUEST OF DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR INDUSTRY MOLKENBOER
OF DUTCH MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, I HAVE SENT FOLLOWING
MESSAGE TO SEDCO OF DALLAS:

QUOTE.

1. DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR INDUSTRY MOKENBOER IN DUTCH MINISTRY
OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS HAS EXPRESSED TO ME DUTCH GOVERNMENT'S
INTEREST IN ASSURING THAT FULL CONSIDERATION IS GIVEN TO
PROPOSAL MADE BY RIJN-SCHELDE-VEROLME (RSV)
SHIPBUILDING FIRM TO SEDCO (SOUTH EASTERN DRILLING COMPANY, INC.)
FOR CONSTRUCTION BY RSV OF A SUBMERSIBLE WORK PLATFORM TO BE
USED BY PHILLIPS PETROLEUM IN NORTH SEA OIL FIELDS. DUTCH
GOVERNMENT HOPES THAT RSV WILL RECEIVE AN INVITATION FROM
SEDCO FOR RSV TO ATTEND PLANNED BIDDERS' CONFERENCE IN ORDER
TO DISCUSS ALL ASPECTS OF RSV PROPOSAL BEFORE FINAL AWARD IS
MADE. (RSV UNDERSTANDS THAT IT IS ONE OF SEVEN COMPETITORS
INCLUDING FOUR EUROPEAN, TWO JAPANESE, AND ONE CANADIAN.)

2. SHOULD BE NOTED THAT DIRECTOR-GENERAL MOLKENBOER SITS
AS NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT'S OBSERVER ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
RSV WHICH IS LARGEST DUTCH SHIPYARD AND OFFSHORE PLATFORM
BUILDER AND IS WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN TO EMBASSY. A WORLD
TRADERS DATA REPORT ON RSV PREPARED IN JULY 1974 BY THE
AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL IN ROTTERDAM IS ON FILE WITH US
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE IN WASHINGTON.

3. 8, ;832 9* 4 ;'S IMPORTANCE IN ITS FIELD AS WELL AS THE
REQUEST FOR DIRECTOR-GENERAL MOLKENBOER, I RECOMMEND THAT SEDCO
GIVE EVERY CONSIDERATION TO REQUEST THAT RSV BE INVITED TO
PLANNED BIDDERS' CONFERENCE. END QUOTE.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY SUPPORT DEPARTMENT AND USDOC CAN
GIVE TO THIS REQUEST. (SEDCO'S TELEPHONE NUMBER IS
214-748-9281.)
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